

# Group Travel Itinerary

## HISTORY BUFF

Discover the unique stories of influential people and the (sometimes literal) groundwork they laid to build Greater Des Moines into the rich cultural destination it is today. From helping escaped slaves on the path to freedom to establishing the “Nobel Prize of food,” early Des Moines leaders left incredible legacies and a challenge to future generations to continue to support the advancement of the region.

DAY 1 - DOWNTOWN			
ACTIVITY:	CATCH THIS:	WHEN TO VISIT:	INFO:
<b>Iowa State Capitol</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Beautiful capitol building is only 5-domed capitol in U.S., with 23-karat gold plated dome.</li> <li>▶ Free guided or self-guided tours</li> </ul>	<b>Mon - Fri:</b> 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. <b>Sat:</b> 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.	E 9th Street & Grand Avenue, Des Moines <a href="https://legis.iowa.gov/resources/tourCapitol">legis.iowa.gov/resources/tourCapitol</a>
<b>State Historical Museum of Iowa</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Iowa and the Civil War, Iowa History 101, Hollywood in the Heartland exhibits, and more.</li> <li>▶ Free admission.</li> </ul>	<b>Mon - Fri:</b> 9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.	600 E Locust Street, Des Moines <a href="https://iowaculture.gov/history/museum">iowaculture.gov/history/museum</a>
<b>Malo</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Historic Fire Station No. 1 turned Latin Cuisine Restaurant.</li> <li>▶ Stop in for dinner and a delicious mango margarita.</li> </ul>	<b>Tues - Thur:</b> 4 - 9 p.m. <b>Fri - Sat:</b> 11:30 a.m. - 9 p.m. <b>Sun:</b> 11 a.m. - 5 p.m.	900 Mulberry Street, Des Moines <a href="https://malodesmoines.com">malodesmoines.com</a>
<b>World Food Prize Hall of Laureates</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Free museum, home to beautiful artwork, photography, mosaics, and stained glass, all paying tribute to achievements in agriculture and food security.</li> </ul>	<b>Tue:</b> 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. <b>Sat:</b> 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.	100 Locust Street, Des Moines <a href="https://halloflaureates.org">halloflaureates.org</a>
<b>Historic Swanson House &amp; Clive Depot</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Historic Center of Clive – created in 1882.</li> <li>▶ Swanson House served as a general store and post office from 1911 – 1929.</li> </ul>	<b>Refer to website.</b>	8641 Swanson Boulevard, Clive <a href="https://clivehistoricalsociety.org">clivehistoricalsociety.org</a>
<b>Gilroy's Kitchen + Pub + Patio</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Stylish American comfort food and the best patio in the burbs.</li> </ul>	<b>Mon - Thur:</b> 11 a.m. - 10 p.m. <b>Fri:</b> 11 a.m. - 11 p.m. <b>Sat:</b> 9:30 a.m. - 11 p.m. <b>Sun:</b> 9:30 a.m. - 10 p.m.	1238 8th Street, West Des Moines <a href="https://gilroyskitchen.com">gilroyskitchen.com</a>

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### DAY 2 - NORTHWEST GREATER DES MOINES

ACTIVITY:	CATCH THIS:	WHEN TO VISIT:	INFO:
<b>Living History Farms</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Learn about how lowans transformed prairies into productive farmland.</li> <li>▶ 500-acre open-air, interactive museum, throughout four different time periods.</li> </ul>	<b>Refer to website.</b>	11121 Hickman Road, Des Moines <a href="http://lhf.org">lhf.org</a>
<b>Jethro's BBQ n' Pork Chop Grill</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Try their State Fair pork chops, stuffed pork chops, shake n' bake pork chops or smoked pork chops.</li> <li>▶ Try the infamous Adam Emmenecker challenge. We dare you!</li> </ul>	<b>Sun - Wed:</b> 11 a.m. - 9 p.m. <b>Thur - Sat:</b> 11 a.m. - 10 p.m.	5950 NW 86th Street, Johnston <a href="http://jethrosdesmoines.com/jethros-bbq-n-pork-chop-grill-johnston/">jethrosdesmoines.com/jethros-bbq-n-pork-chop-grill-johnston/</a>
<b>Boone and Scenic Valley Railroad</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Take a ride on a classic train car and learn about the history of railroading in Iowa.</li> <li>▶ Turns into the Santa Express train around the holidays.</li> </ul>	<b>Refer to website.</b>	225 10th Street, Boone <a href="http://bsvrr.com">bsvrr.com</a>
<b>Machine Shed</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Popular restaurant decorated with farm tools dedicated to the American Farmer.</li> </ul>	<b>Mon - Thur:</b> 7 a.m. - 9 p.m. <b>Fri - Sat:</b> 7 a.m. - 10 p.m. <b>Sun:</b> 7 a.m. - 9 p.m.	11151 Hickman Road, Urbandale <a href="http://machineshed.com">machineshed.com</a>

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### DAY 3 - WINTERSET/WEST DES MOINES

ACTIVITY:	CATCH THIS:	WHEN TO VISIT:	INFO:
<b>John Wayne Birthplace Museum</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Museum is adjacent to his childhood home that features original memorabilia.</li> <li>▶ Catch a John Wayne western in the museum's theater.</li> </ul>	<b>Refer to website.</b>	205 S. John Wayne Dr. Winterset <a href="http://johnwaynebirthplace.museum">johnwaynebirthplace.museum</a>
<b>Bridges of Madison County</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Recreate scenes from your favorite Romantic Drama at the Bridges of Madison County in Winterset.</li> <li>▶ Tour six different bridges.</li> </ul>	<b>May through October:</b> <b>Mon - Sat:</b> 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. <b>Sun:</b> Noon - 3 p.m.	73 Jefferson Street, Winterset <a href="http://madisoncounty.com/the-covered-bridges">madisoncounty.com/the-covered-bridges</a>
<b>Historic Jordan House</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ An official site on the National Underground Railroad Network to Freedom.</li> <li>▶ Built in the 1850s, it is one of five preserved underground railroad stops in Iowa.</li> </ul>	<b>Refer to website.</b>	2001 Fuller Road, West Des Moines <a href="http://wdmhs.org">wdmhs.org</a>
<b>Bennet School Museum</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ One-room schoolhouse built in 1926, was used until 1941.</li> <li>▶ Eventually sold and used as a private home, now available to tour.</li> </ul>	<b>Refer to website.</b>	4001 Fuller Road, West Des Moines <a href="http://wdmhs.org/the-bennett-school">wdmhs.org/the-bennett-school</a>
<b>Historic Valley Junction</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Built in the 1890s upon a historic railroad district, Historic Valley Junction is now a popular shopping and dining destination.</li> </ul>	<b>Refer to website.</b>	137 5th Street, West Des Moines <a href="http://valleyjunction.com">valleyjunction.com</a>
<b>The Hall DSM</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ A rail car repair shop built in 1899, The Hall DSM has transformed into a large German style beer hall.</li> </ul>	<b>Mon - Wed:</b> 3 - 9 p.m. <b>Thur - Fri:</b> 3 - 11 p.m. <b>Sat:</b> 11 a.m. - 11 p.m.	111 S 11th Street, West Des Moines <a href="http://thehalldsm.com">thehalldsm.com</a>

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